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1. The Vitava Mill, South Bohemian Paper Mills, National Corporation, in Lovcovice near Vyssi Brod (Jihoseske papirny, Vitavsky Mlyn) is located on the river Vitava in Lovcovice. The exact location is shown in the enclosed plan /See Enclosure (A)/. The plant is enclosed by a wooden fence two meters high.
2. The plant now [] produces wrapping paper, parchment paper, paper napkins, toilet tissue, cellulose, etc.. It is planned to extend the production of cellulose and, in the event of war, the plant will produce cellulose exclusively. The factory produces mainly for export, primarily for the Soviet Union, Switzerland, Holland, Australia and Germany. Only a small part of the production is destined for the home market.
3. The plant has three Diesel locomotives for narrow-gauge railway; from trucks (with Diesel motors) five tons each; three passenger cars (two Skoda-Tudors and one Tatrapijan). It is equipped with five large paper-making machines. Machine No V makes parchment paper. The output is 30 thousand kilograms in eight hours. Machine No VI also produces parchment paper with an eight hour output of 40 thousand kilograms. Each machine is served by four men (one foreman, two helpers, one supervisor). Machine No II makes "crepe" paper with an output of 30 thousand kilograms in eight hours. Machine No I produces colored paper with an eight-hour output of 50 thousand kilograms. Machine No III produces wrapping paper with an eight-hour output of 100 thousand kilograms. The production of parchment paper reaches 900 quintals in three shifts. The parchment paper is destined mostly for export. The production of dyed paper is approximately 1500 quintals of paper in three shifts. The main part of the produced paper is exported to the Soviet Union and to Hamburg (the goods are transported by river-boats). The production of the "crepe" paper is approximately 900 quintals in three shifts. The produced goods go to the Soviet Union, Hungary and Bulgaria. The production of wrapping paper reaches approximately 2400 quintals in three shifts. The produced goods are exported to the Soviet Union, Switzerland and other countries; a part is used for the home market. The production of cellulose has been rather small. In the course of one month, approximately 10 freight car loads were delivered to a paper mill in Slovakia and, in addition, also to the paper mill in Cisany (Moravia).

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4. The directorate of the plant is located in the plant itself. The manager of the plant is Mr (fnu) Kaucky; the labor-manager is Mr Josef Perat, formerly a butcher, a devoted Communist. The total number of employees is 1200 workers, working in three shifts. Of these about 200 are skilled workers, 300 are administrative and technical employees and the rest are helpers. The highest wage of an unskilled worker is 8000 crowns per month; the lowest wage of an unskilled worker is 2500 crowns per month.
5. About 50% of the workers are organized in the Communist Party. The workers are generally dissatisfied with the present regime. The Communist Party calls a plenary meeting once a month; the local branches of the Party call their meetings three times a week. The younger workers are disinterested and do not attend the Party meetings. The same attitude is shown by the local population who dislike the Communist regime, listen in to the foreign broadcasts and expect the fall of the Communist rule any time.
6. The plant has its own factory guard who wear black uniforms. The members are armed with pistols and number about 30 men. There is also a factory militia in the plant; the members wear blue uniforms with red arm bands. The militia has approximately 40 members. Its commander is Karel Dusak. The factory guard patrols the plant at night in the following composition: two men of the factory guard and one man of the State Security Corps (SNB). The members of the militia are armed with rifles; the members when not on duty leave these rifles in the plant. The plant has also its own fire company with a fire engine and an ambulance.
7. Timber is supplied from the near-by forests. A special powder for the production of cellulose is imported from Italy. Coal is supplied by rail from Ostrava and Duchcov. Water is taken from the Vltava river; drinking water is purified by special equipment. The plant is driven by electricity which is supplied by a power-plant in Austria. The plant has its own boiler hall which supplies the whole establishment with steam and hot water. From the Vltava river a concrete canal five meters deep and 10 meters wide supplies water for a water turbine.

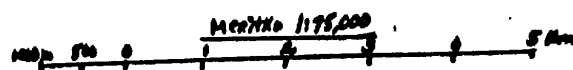
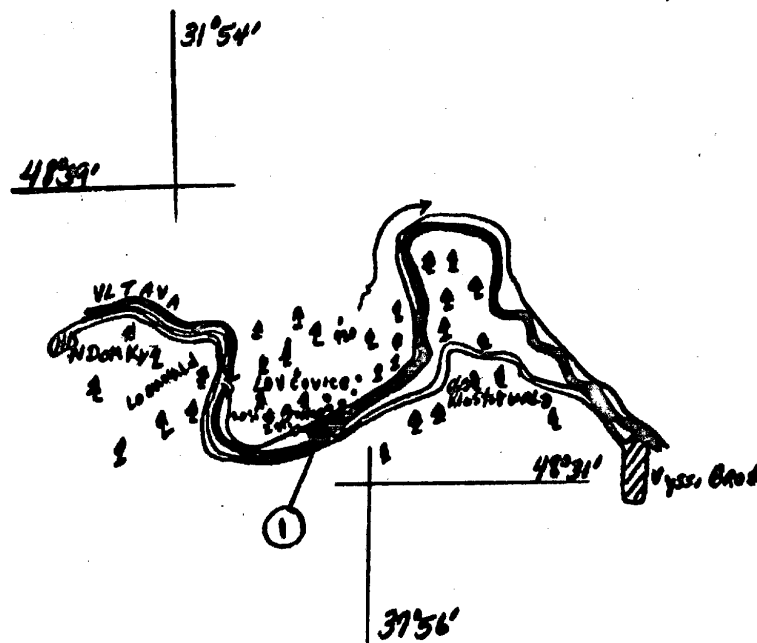
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ENCLOSURE (A): South Bohemian Paper mills, Vltavsky Mlyn, in Lovcovice

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SOUTH BOHEMIAN PAPER MILLS, VITAVSKY MLYN, IN LOVCOVICE



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1..... South-Bohemian Paper Mills, Vitavsky Mlyn in Lovcovice near Vyssi Brod.